TRAVANCORE CIVIL COURTS POWERS (Amendment) Bill.

CONSIDERATION OF

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: Sir, I beg to move that the Travancore Civil Courts Powers(Amendment) Bill as passed by the Assembly be taken into consideration.

The Bill as passed mainly relates to the method of work in the High Court. At present second appeals which are appeals against the appellate decrees of District Judges are heard and disposed by Division Benches. It is proposed by the Bill that these second appeals should go before a Division Bench only, if they are admitted by a single judge as being a *prima facie* sustainable appeal. If any such second appeal is on the face of it unsustainable it will be rejected by the single judge himself and will not go before a Division Bench at all.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi (*Karunagapalli Karthikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): May I know what is the practice in other chartered High Courts?

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: In Madras single judges finally dispose of second appeals generally; but with the Bill it is laid down,

"It shall not be within the power of a single Judge to set aside or modify such decree or order ....."

I trust that the House will agree to the consideration of this Bill.

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: I second it.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

Clauses 2 to 4 were put to the vote of the House and carried.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: I beg to move that the Bill be passed.

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: I second it.

The motion was put to the vote of the House and carried.

THE TRAVANCORE HIGH COURT REGULATION (second) AMENDMENT BILL.

CONSIDERATION OF

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: I beg to move that the Travancore High Court Regulation (Second) Amendment Bill be taken into consideration.

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: I second the motion.

Mr. Kayalam Paramesvaran Pillai: The Bill that has already been passed relates to civil matters and this Bill relates to criminal matters. The law, as it is at present, is that criminal revision petitions and criminal references pending before the High

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